GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1383
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2001
LAW AND ORDER SITUATION IN DELHI
AKHILESH YADAV

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the views of police commissioner law and order situation in Delhi appearing in the Rashtriya Sahara dated 31.05.2001;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard;

(c) the steps the Government propose to take to check the criminals including safeguarding the people living in the capital; and

(d) the likely impact of the statement given by the Police Chief on the people and police department in Delhi and other States?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)to(d): Delhi Police have, however, clarified that the news report in question is neither based on any interview given by the Commissioner of Police, Delhi nor reflects the crime situation in Delhi correctly. This is borne out by the fact that the crime rate in Delhi has shown a declining trend since the year 1999.

The steps taken by Delhi Police to improve the law and order in National Capital Territory of Delhi include intensification of beat patrolling; posting of armed pickets at strategic points; strengthening of intelligence network; close watch on and frequent raids at the suspected hide-outs of criminals and terrorists; verification of antecedents of domestic servants and tenants; increased surveillance on history sheeters, coordination meetings with officers of neighbouring states; meeting with members of Residents Welfare Associations, formation of anti-terrorist cell in each police district; and deployment of police personnel in plain clothes in running buses, market places, business places and other crime-prone places.